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SUBJECT: LANDING OF US TUNABOAT MARIA ELENA

REF: A. STATE 240423, B. STATE 225900

MEXICO CITY FOR REGIONAL FISHERIES ATTACHE

1. DCM PROVIDED INFORMATION CONTAINED REFTEL A TO FOREIGN MINISTER FACIO DECEMBER 11. LATTER HAS NO RPT NO OBJECTION TO USG ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES PROCEEDING AGAINST OWNER OF MARIA ELENA ON BASIS OF INFORMATION PROVIDED BY GOCR (SAN JOSE 4318). FACIO REITERATED THAT HIS CONCERN HAD BEEN OVER PRESUMED OBLIGATION TO DESTROY THE CATCH, AND HE SEEMED RELIEVED TO HEAR THAT SUCH ACTION WAS NOT EXPECTED BY U.S. AUTHORITIES. FONMIN ADDED THAT TUNA CONVENTION HAS BEEN A BOON TO PRESERVATION OF TUNA FISHERIES WHICH COSTA RICA VALUES.

2. IN VIEW OF FONMIN'S ATTITUDE, IT DID NOT APPEAR APPROPRIATE TO TAX GOCR WITH COUNTENANCING VIOLATION OF TUNA CONSERVATION PROGRAM.

3. WITH REFERENCE TO PENULTIMATE SENTENCE OF REFTEL A, DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO REMIND NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE THAT GOCR OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN VERY COOPERATIVE

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IN PAST. IT WAS BECAUSE OF INFORMATION ORIGINALLY

SUPPLIED BY GOCR OFFICIALS AND LATER VERIFIED IN WRITING
BY THEM THAT EMBASSY WAS ABLE TO SUPPLY INFORMATION ON
US TUNABOAT QUO VADIS WHICH AIDED IN SUBSEQUENT SEIZURE
OF ILLEGAL TUNA CATCH (SEE REFTTEL B). IT IS EMBASSY'S
IMPRESSION THAT COSTA RICA HAS BEEN AMONG RELATIVELY
SMALL NUMBER OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WHICH HAS SHOWN
REAL INTEREST AND ACTIVELY COOPERATED IN FISHERIES AND
OTHER CONSERVATION EFFORTS.
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